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REMARKS

Claims 11 and 14-20 are pending, with claim 11 being the only independent claim. Claims 1-10 and 12-13 are canceled herein and claims 11, 14 and 15 are amended. No new matter has been added.

As a preliminary matter, Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that claims 3, 5-8 and 13-20 contain allowable subject matter. As explained below, the allowable subject matter of claims 12 and 13 has been incorporated into claim 11.

Claims 2 and 12 were objected to because the verb "is" did not appear in those claims. Applicants submit that the claims as amended are clear.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 11 and 12 were rejected as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,281,737 (Molzahn). The rejection is traversed.

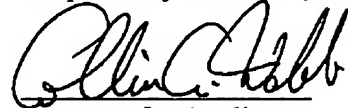
Claim 11 has been amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of dependent claims 12 and 13. Claim 14 is amended to alter its dependence to claim 11. Accordingly, Applicants submit that the rejections are moot.

No fee, other than the fee associated with the Petition to Revive, is believed due in connection with this Amendment. However, should any fee be necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 14-0780, now or throughout prosecution.

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Should any questions remain, Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in
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